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REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

The Office Action dated August 25, 2008, noted that the Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 16, 2006, fails to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), which requires a legible copy of each cited foreign patent document. As set forth in the Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicants believed that the International Bureau had forwarded the same to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

For the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08a filed on February 16, 2006, and a copy of DE 43 36 233 A1 with an English language Abstract are attached. The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial and return to the undersigned a copy of the subject PTO/SB/08a.

Should there be any questions concerning this communication, please telephone the undersigned attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

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In compliance with Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, enclosed is a copy of the International Search Report in the corresponding international application. The relevance of the references is noted in the International Search Report. We understand that the references have been forwarded by the International Bureau and are available to the Examiner. However, if the Examiner needs copies of any of the references, the Examiner is requested to advise counsel accordingly.

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